

(Figures in TMT)

	Imported	Production	Total
Petrol	1770	3036	4766
Diesel	2468	9749	12217

(a) During April to October, 1991, 64.4% of the total demand of kerosene was met from indigenous production and the balance from imports. As far as diesel is concerned, 78.1% of the demand was met from indigenous sources of production and the balance from imports.

Setting up of Petrol Refinery in Madhya Pradesh

2454. SHRI SUSHIL CHANDRA VARMA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal to set up petroleum refinery in Madhya Pradesh was received by the Union Government from the State Government;

(b) if so, the decision taken thereon; and

(c) if no decision has been taken, the reasons for the delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHAN KUMAR): (a) Government of Madhya Pradesh has sent request to Gov-

ernment of India for setting up a refinery in Madhya Pradesh.

(b) and (c). M/s Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd. (BPCL) have submitted a proposal for setting up of a 6 MTPA grass root refinery in Central India. The proposal is under the consideration of the Government.

Production of Coal in Patnaknera Collieries

2455. SHRI SUSHIL CHANDRA VARMA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the production of coal in Patnaknera collieries in Madhya Pradesh during 1990-91 and 1991-92 so far, month-wise; and

(b) the average monthly requirement of power station of Patnaknera and the quantity of coal supplied to it from this collieries during 1991, month-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S.B. NYAMAGOUDA): (a) The monthwise production of coal in Patnakhera area during 1990-91 and 1991-92 (April-November) is given below:

(Figures in 000 tonnes)

Month	1990-91	1991-92
April	180.022	156.045
May	162.542	148.588

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June	182.512		150.842	
July	205.005		1832.241	
August	196.835		198.319	
September	190.022		201.313	
October	193.409		172.242	
November	190.425		156.903 *	
December	202.660			
January	209.841			
February	231.697			
March	357.610			
Total	2502.580		1367.493	

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(b) The Hon'ble Member is presumably referring Satpurs Power Station of Madhya Pradesh Electricity Board. The monthwise linkage for Pathaknera mines vis-a-vis sup-

plies there form to Setpura Thermal Power Station during April-November, 1991 are given below:-

Month	Linkage of Satpura Power Station from Patnakners mins (ooo, tonnes)	Supplies from Pat- naknera mines to Satpura Power Station (ooo, tonnes)
April	210	146.839
May	210	146.264
June	210	141.675
July	170	173.299
August	170	178.575
September	170	179.938
October	200	146.075

<i>Month</i>	<i>Linkage of Satpura Power Station from Patnakners mins (ooo, tonnes)</i>	<i>Supplies from Pat- naknera mines to Satpura Power Station (ooo, tonnes)</i>
November	200	137.357
Total	1540	1250.022

Increase in Price of Coal

2456. SHRI HARIKEWAL PRASAD: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to increase the price of coal; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S.B. NYAMAGOUA): (a) and (b). Coal India Limited and Singareni Collieries Company limited have submitted proposals for increase in the price of coal so as to neutralise the increase in the cost of various inputs. The increase sought are broadly in accordance with the formula for price increase suggested by Bureau of Industrial Costs and Prices.

[English]

Foodgrains Production

2457. SHRI HARIKEWAL PRASAD: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total production of foodgrains in the country during the Kharif 1991-92 season, grain-wise;

(b) the extent of increase in production as compared to previous year;

(c) the production target fixed for Rabi season; and

(d) the steps taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMCHANDRAN): (a) and (b). The total production of foodgrains in the country during kharif season 1990-91, grains-wise was as under:

	<i>(Million tonnes)</i>
<i>Crop</i>	<i>Production</i>
Kharif rice	66.6
Kharif coarse cereals	27.9
Kharif pulses	5.4
Total Kharif foodgrains	99.9

Similar information for kharif 1991-92 have not yet become due from the State. However, according to the present assessment, production of kharif foodgrains during current year may be somewhat less as compared to previous year.

(c) The production target of rabi foodgrains 1991-92 have been fixed at 79.4 million tonnes.

(d) In order to achieve the target fixed